

It's a gross violation of the public interest when a single corporation can require nearly twenty-five percent of the country's TV stations to carry a politically-motivated program days before a national election. Sinclair Broadcasting, by demanding its affiliates air a blatantly anti-Kerry presentation, is using its power specifically against the public interest, convenience and necessity. There are many good reasons for not having a select few people in control of most of the media, and Sinclair's action is another one. To pass off a political statement specifically intended to influence people's voting decisions as legitimate news, and require it be aired regardless of what the local affiliates think, is a shameful betrayal of the public's trust and must be exposed to legal and ethical scrutiny. Thank you for your consideration.